## Introduced by Senator Ducheny (Coauthor: Senator Runner)

February 14, 2006

An act to add Section 81050.7 to the Education Code, relating to community colleges.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1290, as amended, Ducheny. Community colleges: facilities. Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. Existing law authorizes the establishment of community college districts throughout the state under the administration of community college governing boards, and authorizes these districts to provide instruction at community college campuses.

Existing law requires the Department of General Services to supervise the design and construction of certain school buildings, including specified community college facilities, to ensure that plans and specifications comply with specified structural safety standards and to ensure that the work of construction has been performed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications, for the protection of life and property. Existing law also requires the department to pass upon and approve or reject all plans for the construction of, and in some cases, the alteration of, any school building subject to those provisions, and to make inspections of the school buildings and work of construction or alteration that in its judgment is necessary or proper for the enforcement of these requirements and the protection of the safety of the students, the

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instructors, and the public. These requirements are part of the body of law known as the Field Act.

Existing law authorizes a community college district to acquire for use any facility previously used by the United States military and closed by action of the federal Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission if the governing board of the district finds that specified conditions of the Field Act have been met.

Existing law establishes the California Building Standards Commission within the State and Consumer Services Agency, and requires the commission to review and approve building standards proposed and adopted by state agencies and to codify and publish approved building standards in one state building standards code, known as the California Building Standards Code.

This bill would require that each offsite building acquired or constructed on or after January 1, 2007, for community college use to meet the standards of the Field Act, the standards required for buildings previously used by the United States military and acquired pursuant to the provision described above, or the appropriate standards for commercial buildings constructed within an earthquake zone, as set forth in school building, as defined, constructed, reconstructed, modified, or expanded on or after January 1, 2007, on a community college campus be built in accordance with the Field Act or according to the California Building Standards Code, as adopted by the California Building Standards Commission.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:* 

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 81050.7 is added to the Education 2 Code, to read:
- 3 81050.7. Each offsite building acquired or constructed on or after January 1, 2007, for community college use shall meet the standards of one or more of the following:
  - (a) The Field Act, as defined in Section 81130.3.

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- 7 (b) Standards for offsite buildings acquired pursuant to Section 8 81149.
- 9 (c) The appropriate standards for commercial buildings 10 constructed within an earthquake zone, as set forth in the

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- 1 California Building Standards Code (Title 24 of the California
- 2 Code of Regulations).
- 3 81050.7. Each school building constructed, reconstructed,
- 4 modified, or expanded on or after January 1, 2007, on a
- 5 community college campus shall be built in accordance with the
- 6 Field Act, as defined in Section 81130.3, or according to the
- 7 California Building Standards Code, as adopted by the
- 8 California Building Standards Commission.